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USDOC FOR ITA/BED/CAGNE, ATHENS FOR RTDO, OTHER ACTION
ADDRESSEES PLEASE PASS TO INTERESTED AMERICAN COMPANIES

1. IRAQI COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY INTENDS TO APPOINT CONSULTANTS
TO ADVISE ON A PROPOSED NATIONAL PUBLIC DATA AND DATA
COMMUNICATION NETWORK TO LINK EXISTING AND FUTURE COMPUTER
SYSTEMS.

2. SCOPE OF CONSULTANCY CONTRACT: (A) STUDY EXISTING
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS AND EXISTING AND PROJECTED COMPUTER
SYSTEMS; (B) ADVISE ON EXTENT OF DATA COMMUNICATION SWITCHING
SYSTEM REQUIRED AND COMPATIBILITY OF EXISTING COMMUNICATION
NETWORKS WITH ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS; (C)
DRAW UP SPECIFICATIONS AND TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR PROPOSED
NATIONAL PUBLIC DATA AND DATA COMMUNICATION
NETWORK; (D) ASSIST IN ANALYSIS OF BIDS RECEIVED;
(E) ADVISE ON MANAGEMENT OF NEW SYSTEM, INCLUDING POSSIBLE
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TARIFF FORMS.

3. GOI'S PRESENT TELEPHONE SYSTEM CONSISTS OF PENTACONTA
CROSSBAR EXCHANGES, WITH A FEW STROWGER STEP-BY-STEP
EXCHANGES TO BE REPLACED BY ELECTRONIC EXCHANGES. INTERCITY
TELEPHONE LINES ARE BY NEWLY COMMISSIONED MICROWAVE AND
COAXIAL CABLE NETWORKS WITH A FEW VHF/UHF SPURS. LOCAL

ENGINEERS HAVE TRIED TO USE LEASED LINES TO LINK COMPUTER SYSTEMS, BUT FIND THIS IS EXPENSIVE. EXISTING LINES HAVE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS (WHITE NOISE ETC.) THAT PREVENT SPEED.

4. CLINETS PREFER INDEPENDENT CONSULTANTS RATHER THAN EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO CONSULTANTS WITH SIMILAR EXPERIENCE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,(ESPECIALLY IN NEIGHBORING STATES. INTERESTED FIRMS ARE REQUESTED TO TELEX EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO: MAJOR PROJECTS ORGANIZATION, MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, KARRADAH SHARQIYAH, BAGHDAD, IRAQ, TELEX NO: 2020 MOCBGD IK, BEFORE SEPTEMBER 12, 1978. THE TELEX SHOULD BE FOLLOWED-UP BY DETAILED LETTER LISTING QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND CAPACITY IN PLANNING, NETWORK DESIGN-TESTING, COMMISSIONING AND MANAGEMENT OF DATA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS. COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE SENT TO USINT, BAGHDAD, TELEX: 2287 USINT, IK, FOR FOLLOW-UP. POST HAS REQUESTED EXTENSION OF SEPTEMBER 12 CLOSING DATE. IF RECEIVED IT WILL BE RELAED TO ALL ADDRESSEES BUT NO ACTION LIKELY UNTIL END OF EID AL-FITR HOLIDAYS, SEPTEMBER 6.
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